

HOUSE BILL 2707
By Fowlkes

AN ACT to amend Chapter 296 of the Private Acts of 1972; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the mayor and board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Elkton.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article V, Section 3 of Chapter 296 of the Private Acts of 1972 and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

SECTION 3. Term of Office. (a) At the next regularly scheduled municipal election in which aldermen are to be elected, five (5) aldermen shall be elected. Of the candidates running for the office for alderman in such election, the candidates receiving the first and second highest number of votes shall be elected to the office of alderman for a term of four (4) years and the candidates receiving the third, fourth and fifth highest number of votes cast in such election shall be elected to the office of alderman for a term of two (2) years. In order to break a tie vote, the names of the candidates whose votes are tied shall be placed in a receptacle and the Mayor or other person designated by the Mayor shall draw a name, or names as appropriate, to break the tie.

(b) At the following biennial election, and all biennial elections thereafter, the term of office for each alderman shall be for a term of four (4) years.

(c) The term of each alderman shall begin the first day of July next after such municipal election and each alderman shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified.

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SECTION 2. Article IV, Section 2 of Chapter 296 of the Private Acts of 1972 and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

Section 2. The mayor shall be elected at the next regular municipal election in the year 1998 and every fourth year thereafter for a term of four (4) years. The term of office shall begin and the mayor shall take office on July 1 next after such municipal election and shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified.

SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing an incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which he was elected.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Elkton. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the Mayor and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 4.